

Oughterard Heritage
FÉILIRE 2009



Oughterard G.A.A. Club

1908-2008



Séamus Ó Máille 1897-1923

The Oughterard G.A.A. Club founded in 1908, was named after Séamus Ó Máille, local Republican who was executed on April 11th 1923 during the Civil War.



Members of the Oughterard 1938 County Senior Football Team

Back Row: Paddy Masterson (Hon. Sec.), Henry Kenny, Martin O'Toole, P.K. Joyce, Edward Sullivan, Pat King, Pat Gibbons, Mick McDonagh, M.J. Lydon, Padraic Joyce, Jimmy Connor, Dr. Kirwin.

Front Row: Tom Sullivan, Henny Halloran, Charlie Sullivan, Barney Winstone, Dinny Sullivan, Mick Clancy, Garda Mick Dowling.

Sitting: Ned O'Toole and John Conneely.

There is no official photograph of all of the team.

This photograph was taken in 1939 and has most of the team members.

Those missing are: Paddy Gibney, Michael McDonagh {Glann}, Pakie Coyne {Cornamona}, Matty Lowry {Cornamona} and Frank Burke {Cornamona}.



Circa 1974. Martin D'Arcy of Maghera. Reeking the turf at the back of his home.



Image on the left; Barbara Clancy {Wellfield} at the age of 102 feeding her great grand niece, Mary Molloy, {Tullykyne}.
Image on the right; Circa 1930 L-R. Harry, Agnes and Vincent Walsh {Magherabeg}.



Image on the left; Peter and Kate Melia at Derrylaura circa 1932. Their small farm was purchased through the Land Commission from the estate of Colonel Doig.
Image on the right; Colman King with his brother Peter {Glann} circa 1910, weight thrower, who died aged 37 years after a 2 stone {12.7 Kilos} weight hit him on the back. This photograph was taken after Peter won the 100yard dash at Ross sports.



Circa 1931. On the Island of Inishool, with Malachy's Island in the background. To the left is Kingsmill Moore, Senator, High Court Judge, fisherman and author. He is accompanied by Jamesie and Bill Donnellan, both of whom are mentioned in his famous book "A Man May Fish". Kingsmill Moore stated, "What fishing has meant and means to me may be summarised in a plea, and a protest; A protest against the itch to make records....the desire to go one better than the next man; a plea that fishing should be not so much a pursuit as a pastime".



Circa 1930. Corrib Hotel, Bridge Street, Oughterard. In Griffith's Valuation of 1855 a two story building is recorded as being owned by G.F. O'Flahertie and leased to Peter Walsh. The census of 1901 and 1911 records a Thomas Fahy Naughton as proprietor. It was renamed "The Railway Hotel" when the railway was established in 1895. "Sweenys of Oughterard House Hotel" became proprietors at a later date and renamed it "The Corrib Hotel".



Circa 1940. Tommy Tuck (Main Street) Patrick Roland (Bridge Street), Matt and Pete Conneely (Lemonfield).



Circa 1952. Michael O'Halloran with his daughter Mary Josephine of Letterfore, Maam Cross, cutting turf, by hand in their bog. Lough Bofin can be seen in the background.



Circa 1934. On the approach from Connemara. Clareville House. This was the home of "Humanity Dick" Martin (1754-1834) founder of the I.S.P.C.A. The photograph shows the New Connemara Road, which was routed away from the rear of the house through the front garden dividing it in half in 1932.



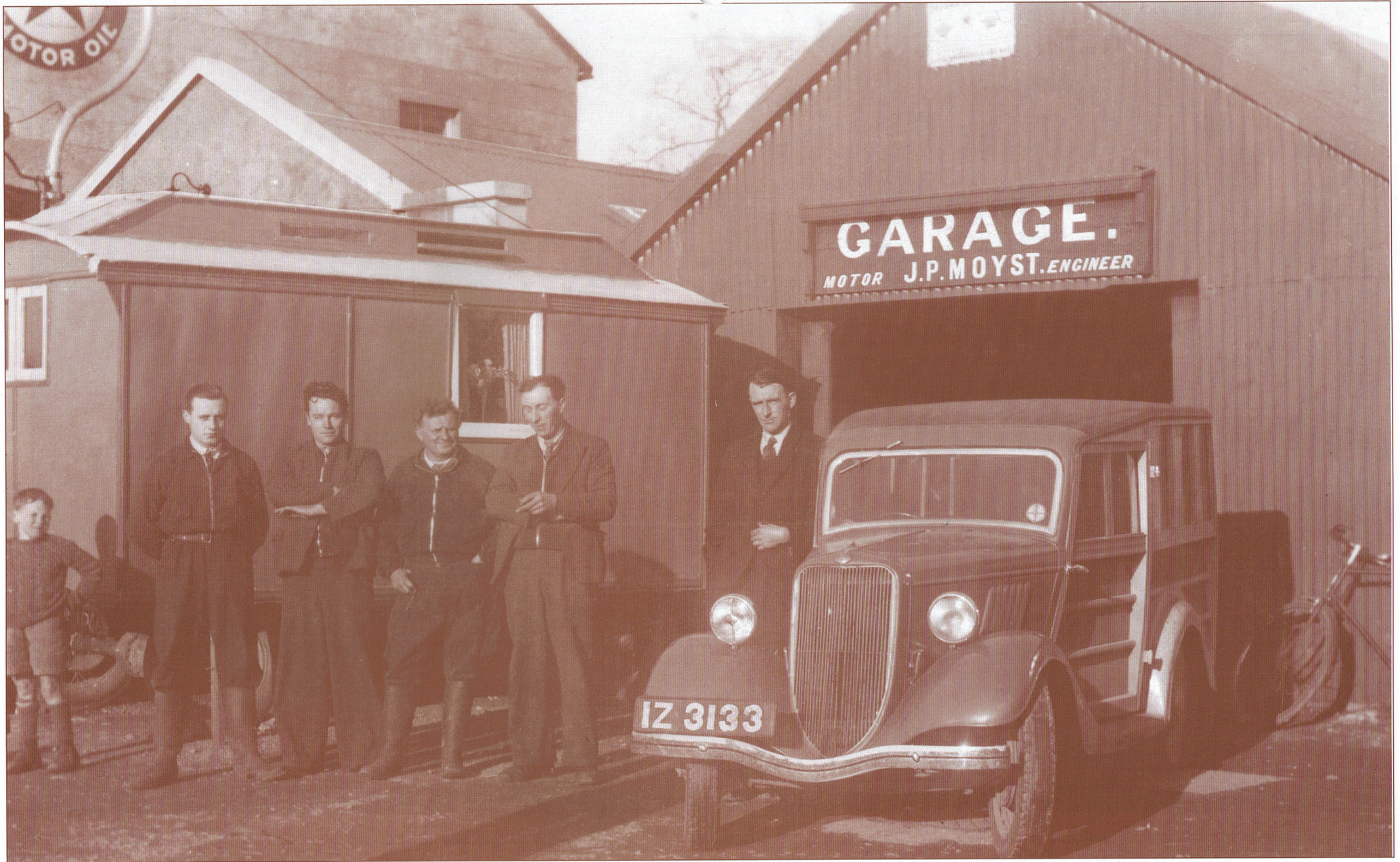
Circa 1921. Barrack Street (Camp Street), Oughterard.
The British Army barracks can be clearly seen at the far end of the street and in the foreground on the left are the R.I.C. barracks.



Oughterard Race Committee 1953

Back Row L-R: Mattie Clancy, Pat Mons, Paddy Harris, Pete Dan Molloy, Bartley McGauley, Pat Gibbons, Mike Clancy, Edward Sullivan, Michael Waters, Mattie Healy, Peter Naughton.

Front Row L-R: Tommie McQuinn, Johnny Keogh, Mattie Molloy, John Austin Molloy.



Circa 1930. Moyst's Garage in Oughterard. L.-R. Child unknown, unknown, unknown, Jim Moyst (owner). Michael John McDonagh (Clareville) Jack Cleggett (Main Street). To the left, behind the caravan, can be seen Sullivan's Hall, now Supermacs Restaurant.

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Nollaig Shona dhíbh. Tá súil againn go mbainfidh sibh sásamh as Féilire 2009. Tá muid fíorbhuíoch do chuile dhuine a chuir pictiúir ar fáil dúinn, cé nach bhfuil muid in ann ach cuid acu a léiriú ins an bhFéilire seo. Tá súil againn go dtabharfaidh sé beagán léargas ar oidhreacht Uachtair Aird, mar a bhí.

Happy Christmas to you. We hope you will enjoy Calendar 2009. We are truly grateful to everybody who made pictures available to us, even though we are only able to exhibit some of them in this Calendar. We hope it will provide some insight into the heritage of Oughterard as it was in times past. A very happy and prosperous New Year to you all.

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